

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: KUSHIHASHI, Shigenobu et al Conf.:  
Appl. No.: NEW Group:  
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For: SPLICING TAPE FOR SPLICING WEBS USED AS  
WRAPPING MATERIAL FOR ROD-LIKE ARTICLE  
TOGETHER AND FEEDING DEVICE OF THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This amendment includes:

Amendments to the Specification

Remarks.